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MEMORANDUM FOR: (Members of the PRC(I))

FROM : Chairman, Policy Review Committee (Intelligence)

SUBJECT : Intelligence Priorities: Further Changes
Proposed by DoD

1. In my memorandum of 1 May to you and other members of the PRC(I) on the subject of intelligence priorities, I circulated revised versions of the lists of long-term and current interest topics that incorporated most of the changes various agencies had requested. State, Treasury, the NSC Staff, and ACDA subsequently gave their concurrence to issue these lists to the intelligence community. Secretary Brown and the Chairman, JCS jointly recommended some further changes in the lists prior to their issuance by the PRC(I).

2. In connection with the PRC(I) meeting scheduled for 11 July, I am enclosing for your consideration annotated copies of the priority lists showing the DoD proposals. On the attached spread sheet laying out the Basic Long-term Topics, you will find in the first column the topics and priorities as I circulated them in my memorandum to members on 1 May. In the second column are recommendations for several changes in the wording of the long-term topics and in the priority values assigned to them. Defense recommends that five of the priorities be raised, and two be lowered.

3. Secretary Brown also proposes an additional top priority topic for the Current Interest list dealing with Soviet nuclear doctrine and strategy. You will find this underlined item inserted following page 2 of the Current Interest list, also attached, which in other respects is identical with the list circulated on 1 May.

4. I hope we can resolve these final questions of priority at next week's meeting and issue the lists as guidance to the community without further delay. I will then proceed as agreed at our last meeting to set in motion a procedure to review the topics every four months and to make an annual reassessment.

OSD review completed

/s/ Stansfield Turner

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